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Honorable Carol M. Browner Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW Washington, DC 20460

Subject: Notification of a Consultation on the Superfund Programs's Approach

to Developing Ecological Soil Screening Levels

Dear Ms. Browner:

The Ecological Processes and Effects Committee of the Science Advisory Board (SAB) met on April 6, 1999 in part to engage in a consultation with Agency staff on a proposed approach for developing Ecological Soil Screening Levels (Eco-SSLs) for the Superfund Program.

The SAB has developed the Consultation as a mechanism to advise the Agency on technical issues that should be considered in the development of regulations, guidelines, or technical guidance before the Agency has taken a position. A Consultation is conducted under the normal requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, which include advance notice of the public meeting in the <a href="Federal Register">Federal Register</a>.

As is our customary practice, there will be no formal report from the SAB as a result of this consultation, nor do we expect any formal response from the Agency.

Sincerely,

/signed/ Dr. Joan M. Daisey, Chair Science Advisory Board /signed/ Dr. Terry F. Young, Chair Ecological Processes and Effects Committee Science Advisory Board

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